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GOV. EASLEY ANNOUNCES HINTON SWORN IN AS REVENUE SECRETARY

RALEIGH - Gov. Mike Easley announced today that Reginald "Reggie" Hinton was sworn in as Secretary of the North Carolina Department of Revenue. Easley appointed Hinton the department's acting Secretary in June after Norris Tolson stepped down to become president of the N.C Biotechnology Center.

"Reggie Hinton's nearly three decades with the Department of Revenue gives him unique perspective and expertise when it comes to the vital task of overseeing the effective collection of state revenues," Easley said. "I am confident that in his new role he will continue to serve North Carolina's taxpayers in the same excellent manner that he has throughout his career."

Hinton is a Wake County native who, since March 1978, has served in various capacities in the Revenue Department including as director of the Office Examination Division and director of the Documents and Payments Processing Division. In April 2001, Hinton was named Chief Deputy Secretary.

Hinton graduated from UNC at Chapel Hill with a Bachelor's degree in business administration in 1977. He is the pastor of a local church and volunteers for *Meals On Wheels of Wake County*, providing meals to the elderly and disabled.

The N.C. Department of Revenue is responsible for administering the tax laws and collecting the taxes due the state in an impartial, uniform, and efficient manner.

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